

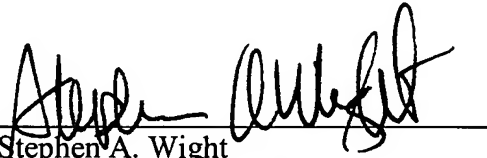
Remarks

Before further examination of the instant application, please amend the specification as described above. The original specification referenced a privately-read paper which was never published. Additionally, the specification is complete without the reference. Thus, the reference has been removed.

Respectfully submitted,

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